

# The Chatham Daily Planet.

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## There's a Feeling of Security

When dealing at Stone's, says a Lady of experience. Not that all goodness lies in one store, but that shoddiness and unsafe goods are kept out of the one—this applies particularly to Carpets—when you buy a Carpet you expect it to last for years, and so it will if you get the right kind. We keep only the best, the kind we can guarantee, so that you run no risk whatever in buying from us. We pace on your floors the best Carpets and guarantee to REPLACE them with others if they don't turn out satisfactory.

WE MEASURE YOUR ROOMS.  
GIVE YOU ESTIMATES.

and our experienced men will lay your Carpets perfectly on shortest notice.  
We will refit and relay your old Carpets.

### Brussels Carpets

At \$1.00 yd.

20 designs best 5 frame Brussels, all the newest colorings very special value.

At \$1.10 yd.

Best five frame Brussels, very special designs and colorings.

At \$1.35 yd.

John Crosby & Sons best Brussels, the finest Brussels made, exquisite designs, let us show them to you.

### Velvet Carpet

At \$1.25 yd.

Just passed through the customs and into stock, the quality is rich, the patterns and colorings are beautiful.

### You Want Lower Priced Carpets?

Yes, we have them. Ingrains and Unions, 36 inches wide, at 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c and..... 60c

Tapestry Carpets, 37 inches wide, pretty designs, at 25c, 30c, 40c, 45c, 50c and..... 75c

THESE PRICES INCLUDE MAKING AND LAYING.

Thomas Stone & Son

Direct Importers

## A direct talk

with mothers

## About Boys' School Suits

### THE TALK

We have studied the boys' school suit question from your point of view. We have taken a great many mothers into our confidence (perhaps you were one) and have asked them what were the features most desirable in a boy's school suit.

The gist of their opinions is—good wearing material, in colors that won't soil quickly—seams that can't rip—butons that can't come off—button-holes that won't wear out—double seated trousers—double knees and elbows.

### THE SUITS

We have made a boy's school suit, and introduced every one of the above features. We offer you a perfect suit.

The material used is an all-wool cheviot that we guarantee for its good wearing qualities. Brown and gray mixtures are the colorings. In sizes 4 to 14 years.

We can fit the stout boy and the slim one.

We invite every mother to come and see this suit. It will more than fulfill your expectations, and once you have one it will never trouble you and we offer so much boys school suit goodness for

\$4.00.



....The 2 T's....

Trudell & Tobey

Sole Agents for  
Sister Shoes and Barrington Hats

### CHOSEN FRIENDS.

The Convention Elects Officers and  
Receives Fraternal Greetings.

The convention of the Canadian  
Order of Chosen Friends at Toronto  
elected officers as follows:—

Grand Chancellor—Rev. H. T. Allen,  
Napawee (acclamation.)

Grand Vice-Chancellor—W. J. Mc-  
Cannan, Belleville (acclamation.)

Grand Recorder—W. F. Montague,  
Hamilton (acclamation.)

Grand Treasurer—S. Broadfoot,  
Guelph (acclamation.)

Grand Medical Examiner—A. Wool-  
verton, M. D., Hamilton (acclamation.)

Grand Prelate—Rev. John McLeod,  
Vankleek Hill.

Executive Committee—Dr. J. H. Bell,  
Kingston; Alex. Morris, Pembroke; Mr.  
Miller, Hamilton; Mr. Trust, Owen  
Sound.

The offices of trustees were abolished.  
Hamilton was chosen as the next  
place of meeting.

Money to Lend on Mortgages—Farm-  
ers and others wanting to borrow  
money on mortgages at best rates and  
save expense and time, and secure  
other advantages, should apply per-  
sonally to the Chatham Loan & Sav-  
ings Company.

On account of the cold change in the  
weather on Saturday night and our  
window covering over with frost so that  
some of our customers had not the op-  
portunity of looking at the 50c ties we  
were offering for 35c we have decided to  
continue the sale all this week ending  
Saturday night. About 300 more spec-  
ials will be added to the lot. You  
know the place; come to the old reliable  
store. Send the children if you cannot  
come yourself. Strap bow ties 55c for  
10c, string ties 15c. Ridley's, 46 King  
street.

Lord Kitchener, after the backbone  
of the war is broken, will be appointed  
commander-in-chief in India.

John Northway & Co.

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## Success Well Earned

Success—no longer a matter of anticipation, but an assured fact—has been written all over this enterprise, and measured crowds, sales, and orders received, it has been the most satisfactory Opening Event in the store's history. That our display of high class Millinery was THE FINEST and BEST EVER SEEN in the city of Chatham, was the unanimous verdict of every lady who visited our show rooms yesterday. The reception will be continued for the remainder of the week. If you have not already attended we again extend you a cordial invitation to do so

### Children's Hats and Bonnets

We received yesterday a case of the handsomest CHILDREN'S HEADWEAR that has ever been our pleasure to offer you—Rich Embroidered Silk, Maslin and Lawn Hats, Bonnets and Tams. The styles are new and decidedly pretty. As they arrived too late to be shown yesterday we invite you to call and see them.

### ANOTHER BELATED CASE

That arrived too late for yesterday's display contained a choice range of NEW BLACK OREPONS and MATTALASSES in beautiful designs, and all stamped GOLD MEDAL, you know what that means—the best in the market—best material, best dyes, and best finish. They are now on our counters. Ask to see them.

The Busy Cash and One Price Store

John Northway & Co.

## BOERS MOVING SOUTH

### Are in Large Force Only Fifteen Miles From Bloemfontein.

London, March 30.—The Boers are concentrating in force about 15 miles north of Bloemfontein, in the rear of Glen, and Lord Roberts is sending forward troops to engage them. The 7th infantry division and part of Gen. French's cavalry have been sent up to join the fourteenth brigade and the two cavalry regiments that are holding Glen and its environs.

It does not seem probable that the Boers will give serious battle in the fairly open country north of Glen. Still, their evident strength indicates more than a corps of observation.

In small affairs the Boers are strikingly aggressive in all parts of the field of war. The Johannesburg Mounted Police, esteemed by the Boers to be their best mounted commando, are raiding the country near Bloemfontein, harassing the farmers who have given up their farms to the British and carrying off cattle.

There is a Boer report from Natal that a Russian soldier of fortune, Col. Ganotaki, with 100 horsemen, is operating close to the British outposts on the western border of the Orange River. The Boers have reoccupied Campbell, and are in strength near Taungs and Barkley West.

They shelled the British camp at Warrenton Wednesday, but moved out of range that night. Yesterday (Thursday) two British guns enfiladed the Boer trenches, quieting their movements.

Lord Methuen and the forces that had been operating in the Barkley district have been recalled to Kimberley by Lord Roberts. No explanation has been given for this, but the mounted troops are dissatisfied at having been ordered back.

**BOTH SIDES CONCENTRATING.**  
London, March 30.—A despatch to the Daily Chronicle from Bloemfontein, dated March 28, says:—The Boers are active north of Glen, about 15 miles from here. It is reported that they are concentrating in considerable force. Reinforcements of all arms are being sent up from Bloemfontein, including the seventh division, and a portion of Gen. French's cavalry. The Johannesburg mounted police are still raiding cattle and harassing the disarmed burghers, who are returning to their farms.

**JOUBERT'S DEATH.**  
Pretoria, Wednesday, March 28.—Gen. Joubert was taken ill Sunday morning. He was at his office the previous day. He suffered great pain, but became unconscious some time before death. The complaint was acute inflammation of the bowels.

The body will lie in state to-morrow and will then be taken by special train to the farm at Rustenburg, near Wakkerstroom, where it will be buried quietly, as Joubert often requested, and without military honors.

**ACCUSED OF MURDER.**  
London, March 30.—Replying to a question put by Eugene Watson, Liberal member for Clackmannan, Mr. Kinross, who asked whether Her Majesty's government possessed information as to the whereabouts of the British magistrate, Mr. Garston, of South Africa, who was captured by insurgent Dutch colonists and threatened with trial for murder and on what grounds the trial was to be held, the secretary of state for the colonies

Mr. Chamberlain said the British high commissioner, Sir Alfred Milner, had reported that Mr. Garston was sent to Bloemfontein March 19. Mr. Chamberlain added that Sir Alfred Milner had been asked to enquire into the particulars of the case and to make the necessary representations through the United States consul at Pretoria, Adelbert S. Hay.

### WAR NOTES.

Michael Davitt has gone to Kroonstadt.

The Boer prisoners will start for St. Helena this week.

Dr. Leyds has protested against the use of Egyptian maxims as a breach of neutrality.

The military authorities have discovered in a Free State government chest realizable securities worth £500,000.

Jan Prinsloo, the former commander-in-chief of the Free State troops, has been arrested on a charge of high treason.

The Boers and disloyalists at Kenhardt have been dispersed and caused to retreat. Gen. Parsons is about to enter the town unopposed.

The Duke of York has accepted from a resident of Cork, 1,000 packets of shamrock seed which will be sown upon the graves of Irish soldiers in South Africa.

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post, telegraphing Wednesday, says:—President Kruger boasts his intention to retake Bloemfontein within a week, and it appears probable that the Boers are advancing in force southward.

The Pretoria correspondent of the Daily Mail telegraphing yesterday, says:—Although it is true that the state mining engineer has made borings in the mines, I am officially informed that this is without the government's sanction and that the question of the destruction of the mines as a last resort has still to be discussed by the executive.

## FIRE PROTECTION

Is Afforded Suburban Property Which Does not Pay Therefor.

While Places Within the City Limits go Without—Buying Oil by the Barrel.

The property committee met last evening. There were present the chairman, Dr. Fleming, and Ald. Liddy, Chief Jacques, Supt. Jones and Market Clerk Holmes.

Wm. Webb, of St. Thomas, was present and exhibited specimens of the Wagoner extension ladder. Chief Jacques stated that the fire department had a 22-foot ladder and 45-foot ladder, but nothing between. The 45-foot ladder was heavy and required five men to manipulate it. The committee decided to consult with the other member, G. G. Taylor, before doing anything. The price of the ladder to the city is 40 cents a foot.

**OUTSIDE FIRES.**

Chief Jacques asked what the city was going to do in the matter of fires outside the limits. All he wanted the committee to do was to pass a motion so as to leave him clear if another fire occurred while the department was at a fire outside.

Dr. Fleming thought that a fire in the township should be taken care of in the first place if it threatened city buildings, and in the second place for humanity's sake.

Chief Jacques answered that there were places in town where people were paying for fire protection but were not getting it. Here were people getting it and not paying for it. Somebody should pay the city when the department goes outside.

Dr. Fleming—Well, you know what the townships are. They don't pay.

Supt. Jones—Probably you can get at the question of payment through the insurance companies.

This matter was also laid over to be considered by the full committee.

Supt. Jones was instructed to order three tappers for the call firemen.

**MAY MAKE A SAVING.**

Supt. Jones stated that by putting in a storage battery, the cost of maintenance for the fire alarm would be reduced from \$75 to \$5 per year. The cost of putting in the storage battery would be something less than \$145, but the saving in maintenance would pay for the storage battery in two years. Matter left the superintendent to still further investigate.

Supt. Jones also reported that the waterworks had purchased a barrel of coal oil at 22 1/2 cents a gallon. The electric light station had been paying 25 cents a gallon by the gallon. The waterworks were willing to sell what the city might want at the cost price.

Ald. Liddy thought that as good oil and as cheap could be purchased in the city if bought in quantity. The alderman objected to the committee buying its oil outside. He claimed home merchants should be patronized and volunteered to find out if the coal oil could be purchased in the city for 22 1/2 cents per gallon in quantity. It was decided in the meantime to use the waterworks oil.

Ald. Liddy—What is the idea of hanging the ropes hanging to the electric

lamp poles all round the city?

Supt. Jones said that when one rope was carried by the linemen the mud froze on it in the winter and cruelly cut the men's hands.

Ald. Liddy couldn't see how the rope standing out in the snow and the rain could be any better than the rope carried. The alderman thought that the electric light department were getting extravagant.

It was decided to leave the ropes now on the poles where they are, but not to add any new ones at present.

It was decided to recommend to the council that Mr. Jones be sent to Wal-laceburg to find out if they can make electric globes there. The ones the city have been getting are too thin and break with the frost.

The following accounts, referred to the committee, will be recommended for payment:—Park Bros., \$9.18; Hamilton Engine Co., \$3.56; Johnson & Co., \$10.80, and the Greening Wire Co., Hamilton, \$85.80.

A special meeting of the committee will be held Monday afternoon and Wm. Pratt, who made a complaint against the market scales, will be notified to be present. Mr. Holmes asked that R. A. Hughes, John Drew and A. C. Parker be also asked to be present.

Geo. W. Cowan

\$1.50

## A Shoe

A piece of bright dongola kid, a piece of clear sole leather, a few nails, the best of silk, all combined by the best of workmen, make our women's lace or button boots the best value in the city for the price.

All Sizes

\$1.50

Geo. W. Cowan



## Reduction Lamp Sale

### "THE ARK"

Patent, Library, Hall, Van and Banquet Lamp to be sold at reduced prices for the next

10 DAYS

\$10 Lamps at..... \$8.00  
\$9 Lamps at..... \$7.00  
\$8 Lamps at..... \$6.00  
\$5 Lamps at..... \$4.00  
\$4 Lamps at..... \$3.25  
\$1.50 Lamps at..... \$1.20  
\$1 Lamps at..... \$0.80



## The Planet

S. STEPHENSON, Proprietor

## A MERE STATEMENT OF FACT.

For fear reiterated untruths, made in kindergarten language, might be believed by some stray but verdant reader of our hallucinationally inclined neighbor, the Banner, this great family journal just wishes to take enough further notice of its childish prattle to say that the Red Cross returns published in The Planet were the correct ones, and that those published by the Banner were not. The reason our contemporary cooked its figures was this: It attempted to extort an over-charge for advertising from the ladies of the Red Cross, and, as a result, they withdrew their patronage from it altogether. Therefore, to gratify its petty spite it tried to belittle the Banner. The affair proved an unqualified success without the aid of the Banner's advertising columns, a fact advertisers in general should note, and in its chagrin the Banner has not yet been honest enough to publish the correct returns. As the Banner appears anxious to draw attention away from its own contemptible smallness towards these charitable ladies by abusing this journal, we are going to try, if possible, to make it for the mark and be honest for once if it can. At eleven o'clock, promptly, to-morrow (Saturday) morning The Planet will send a reporter to the President of the Red Cross Society, submit the articles the Banner refers to, and in an interview give just what that body has to say. We want the Banner to send a reporter there at the same time, so that both papers can get and publish exactly the same interview and thus settle the matter. Now, watch the Banner crawl.

## THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL OF A GREAT FAKE.

Spiritualism all over the world will celebrate March 31st as the anniversary of the origin of modern spiritualism, and it was the pleasant little village of Hydesville, located in Arcadia township, Wayne County, New York, which gave it birth in 1848.

Though the Fox sisters, Margaretta and Catharine, through whom the first revelations of supposed spirit power were made, have recently admitted the fraud, and though they have stated that the so-called "spirit rappings," which created such an immense sensation so many years ago were produced by a voluntary cracking of their joints, the faith of believers in spiritualism is in no wise shaken.

The latter say that though the Fox sisters may be impostors, as they have declared themselves, yet the great truths and principles of modern spiritualism stand as firmly and shine as brightly as ever.

It was on the night of March 31, 1848, that the mysterious raps first gave evidence of being directed by some controlling intelligence. The family had retired during a brief lull in the mysterious rapping, when suddenly it began again, occurring this time near the bed occupied by the two little daughters, Margaretta and Catharine. The latter began to snap her fingers in imitation of the sounds, which immediately responded.

"Now do as I do," she cried. "Count 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6" at the same time striking her hands together. Mrs. Fox, the girl's mother, then desired the unseen agency to count 10, and that number of raps immediately followed.

"Tell us the age of Cathy"—the younger daughter—"by rapping once for each year," said the mother, and 10 distinct raps were heard. Startled by these manifestations, Mrs. Fox asked if it was a human being who was rapping, but no answering sound was heard. "If you are a spirit, make two distinct sounds," she said, and two loud raps responded.

Kate Fox, in her exposure of spiritualism, has declared that she and her sister were producing these mysterious raps, while lying in bed and almost choking with laughter at the clever imposition they were practicing on their mother.

The power of cracking the toe joints by which they produced their "spirit rappings," they had accidentally discovered, and had practiced until they had acquired great proficiency. Be that as it may, these supposed manifestations of spirit power created intense excitement. The family rose from their beds and searched every portion of the house, without result. The neighbors were called in and numerous questions asked, to which answers were received from the mysterious raps.

By sunrise the whole village was on the spot, and the little house was crowded in every part. Finally the spirit was asked to spell out his or her name by rapping at the correct letters as the alphabet was repeated. As the result the name of Charles B. Rosma was obtained, and the spirit said he was a peddler, who had been murdered in that house a few years before.

Soon afterward the Fox family removed to Rochester, N. Y., and the same spiritual manifestations continued in their new home, but only when Catherine or Margaretta was present. By using the letters in the alphabet in

## "ARIS" EXPOSITION!

Messrs. Wright, Kay & Company, for many years Jewellers and Importers of Precious Stones and Art Wares, at D'Arny, will shortly open an office in PARIS.

at Nos. 24 and 26 Rue des Petits Hotels (Place de la Fayette) and offer their services for the purchase, packing and shipment to any point in the United States or Canada of the various articles on sale at

## THE EXPOSITION

—Exhibition of the new reliefing their customers of a care and responsibility in these regards! A note addressed to

Wright, Kay & Co., 44 Rue de Cligny, or 24 Rue des Petits Hotels, will receive careful attention

Please preserve the above address.

the manner already indicated, the Fox sisters said that they found a great number of departed spirits who desired to converse with them and to use them as a medium of communication with their departed friends.

At length the alleged spirits communicated to the Fox girls their desire that there should be held a public meeting, at which a committee of investigation, chosen by the audience, should determine whether they were genuine spirits and produced their so-called manifestations without human aid.

Such a meeting was accordingly held at Corinthian hall, Rochester, in November, 1848. The Fox sisters appeared, on the stage and the spiritual phenomena, being freely manifested, were investigated by a committee of prominent gentlemen who, after continuing their researches for several days, reported their inability to trace them to any human agency.

The fame of the Fox sisters was now national and when they appeared in New York in the following May, announcing themselves as "spiritual mediums," a phrase which originated with them, they created an intense furor. These two young girls had thus founded a new faith, to which they gave the name of spiritualism.

Humble as was its origin and insignificant as was the character of its manifestations, it soon found a multitude of believers in both hemispheres. Spiritual mediums soon sprang up all over the country and were soon multiplied by hundreds and even by thousands.

No better evidence of the power of the new faith over the minds of men and its perpetually could possibly be desired than the fact that even its denouncement as the shallowest, flimsiest humbuggery by those who founded it, and that their statement that it is an out and out fraud, originated by two little girls solely in a spirit of mischief, have been powerless to overthrow or even to shake it.

## A BISHOP ON THE BOERS.

Bishop Hartzell, who has been in charge of the Methodist mission work in South Africa for four years, is spending a fortnight in London before sailing for America to attend the Mission and General Conference at New York and Chicago. He has been studying race and political questions during a series of journeys in the Dutch, English and Portuguese possessions, and has met Sir Alfred Milner, Cecil Rhodes, President Kruger, ex-President Steyn, Dr. Leyds, Dr. Jameson and other conspicuous men in South Africa. He has had exceptional facilities for forming a correct judgment of the moral questions involved in the struggle now in progress, and as an American Bishop he is without prejudice or partisanship. He talks about the war in a most temperate way; gives the Dutch leaders and people credit for many excellent traits and robust virtues, but does not hesitate to express the deliberate conviction that the English cause is just and commands his sympathies.

Bishop Hartzell bases his opinion that England is in the right on three grounds. First, there is the broad argument from the interests of general civilization. England, with her ideas of civil liberty, honest administration and common justice, stands against the Dutch country, with their inferior progress, their retrograde ideas and their stagnant conservatism. Secondly, there is the overshadowing importance of the native problem. He describes the increase of the black races in Africa as something almost incredible, and he considers that the overwhelming problem of the whole continent is the development of the black races under the tutelage of the white men. He believes that under English rule the black men will have a better chance of improvement and progress than under Dutch rule.

He asserts that the Boers do not

begin to measure with the English in their relations with the negro race. President Kruger's "doppers" have never conducted any missionary work among the natives, and the average Boer hardly admits that the negro has a soul. The great Dutch trek northward in 1835 was made because the English had abolished slavery in Cape Colony and put the negro in a position for testifying as a witness in court. The Boers have relaxed somewhat their harsh methods of dealing with the blacks, but are not as well prepared as the English to take up the problem of the development of the inferior race. The third ground upon which the Bishop hopes for English success in this war is the welfare of the Boers themselves. Proud, robust and patriotic as they are, they are also narrow-minded, superstitious and ignorant. Shut in upon their own resources, they have fallen behind the Boers in the matter of education and the progress of civilization. The best thing that can happen is for them to be overwhelmed by the superior numbers of the British and be brought under the broadening influence of education and English ideas of liberty.

The Bishop draws a striking parallel between the American civil war and the Boer struggle against England. There were in 1861, he says, twelve millions in the Southern States who rightly believed that they were in the right, and yet were fighting on the wrong side to break up the American Union and to preserve slavery. The defeat of the south by superior numbers was necessary in order to save the Union and to effect its deliverance from the evils of slavery. The triumph of British arms will be best for the world, best for England and best for the Boers.

There is now a struggle of Britain against Boer, but when it is over Boer and Britain will stand together with schools and liberty everywhere in South Africa, and with a better chance for just and enlightened treatment of the blacks. For these reasons Bishop Hartzell considers that England is in the right in the war with the Boers, and that her triumph will be a distinct gain for civilization.

The poor old Banner is getting worse every day. Formerly its crazy fits only used to come on when the moon was at its full. Now the outbreaks are occurring between times as well.

There is an editor down South who proposes to edit his paper for one day as the devil would. If he means the printer's devil he should make it a fac-simile of our esteemed local contemporary the Banner.

Roberts is not willing to make an advance except on the best security. It isn't a new thing for him to give a check to a Boer, either.—Woodstock Sentinel-Free Press.

Yet the Boers would much prefer to draw on him at sight.

A reduction in taxation has brought an increase in revenue, and there is nothing magical about it. Under the old regime the taxation was so levied as to go into private coffers, but now it is so levied as to go into the public purse. The people pay less but the government collects more.—The Globe.

What nonsense! Would the Globe kindly name the articles the people are paying less for, now than formerly?

## A SOLDIER POET.

Pte. Alfred Roberts, of the Royal Irish Lancers, sent home some lines which a soldier comrade had written. They are remarkable both in sentiment and as possessing a real poetic fire:

## IF I SHOULD FALL!

If I should fall among the dead and dying,  
Amid the strife upon the blood-stained field,  
My spirit, Lord, upon Thy love rely—  
To Thee I yield.

I do not ask respite from the grave;  
When duty calls I'll hasten to my place,  
But when my hour should come, one boon I crave,  
To see Thy face.

For Thou hast been my friend and brother,  
And thro' sweet nature all my joys I've known;  
No earthly bond unites me to another,  
I stand alone.

For I despise the cant and double-dealing  
Which serves mankind, the humble and the proud;  
How hard to find one heart with genuine feeling  
In all the crowd.

To Thee, to Thee, O Father, I surrender,  
This early gift whence'er I hear Thy call,  
But let my death be swift, the pang be tender,  
Yet like a soldier fall.

## NOT A QUACK DOCTOR.

Merrill's System Tonic does not emanate from quackery, but is a scientifically prepared and valuable prescription, curing all diseases having their origin in Constipation and weak or vitiated blood. It purifies the blood, builds up the system, strengthens the nerves and regulates the bowels. Sold in 50c. bottles containing 50 doses, at the Central Drug Store. Descriptive pamphlet free.

Change of toll is toll's sufficient cure.

Merrill's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.



## ANNUAL STATEMENT OF THE NORTH AMERICAN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

Head Offices: 112-118 King Street West TORONTO.

For the year ended December 31st, 1899.

Dec. 31, 1899.	To net Ledger Assets.....	\$2,977,451.64
	RECEIPTS.	
Dec. 30, 1899.	To Cash for Premiums.....	\$744,865.68
	To Cash Income on Investments.....	148,606.81
		893,472.49
	DISBURSEMENTS.	
Dec. 30, 1899.	By payments for Death Claims, Profits, etc.....	\$303,081.50
	By all other payments.....	291,182.32
		594,263.82
	Balance net Ledger Assets.....	\$3,386,710.21
	ASSETS	
Dec. 30, 1899.	By Mortgages, etc.....	\$1,416,932.68
	Debitors (market value \$308,935.65).....	579,939.37
	"Stocks and Bonds (market value \$587,391.50).....	559,993.62
	"Real Estate, including Company's building.....	334,651.79
	"Loans on Policies, etc.....	221,663.37
	"Cash in Banks and on hand.....	194,821.42
		28,705.06
		\$3,386,710.21
	"Premiums Outstanding, etc. (less cost of collection).....	137,498.24
	"Interest and Rents, due and accrued.....	35,074.78
	"Market value of Debitors and Stocks over cost.....	16,394.16
		\$3,561,477.36
	LIABILITIES	
Dec. 30, 1899.	To Guarantee Fund.....	\$60,000.00
	To Assurance and Annuity Reserve Fund.....	2,929,552.00
	To Death Losses awaiting proofs, etc.....	51,507.31
		3,041,059.35
	Net Surplus.....	\$524,418.01

The financial position of the Company is unexcelled—its percentage of net surplus to liabilities exceeds that of any other Home Company.

New Insurance issued during 1899..... \$4,929,140.00

Exceeding the best previous year by nearly one million.

Insurance in force at end of 1899 (net)..... \$22,045,403.00

PRESIDENT: JOHN L. BLAIRIE

VICE-PRESIDENTS: HON. SIR FRANK SMITH, K.C.M.G.

HON. G. W. ALLAN.

HON. SENATOR COWAN, Q. C., L. L. D., C. M. G.

L. W. SMITH, ESQ., Q. C., D. C. C. L.

D. McCRAE, ESQ., Q. C.

HON. SIR WM. R. MERKIDITH, Chief Justice of Ontario.

MANAGING DIRECTOR: WM. MCCABE, L. L. B., F. I. A., F. S. S.

SECRETARY: L. GOLDMAN, A. I. A.

Medical Director: J. THORBURN, M. D., Edin.

The report containing the proceedings of the Annual Meeting, held on January 30th, last showing a record of the greatest progress and solid prosperity of the Company, will be sent to the policyholders. Pamphlets explanatory of the attractive investment plans of the Company and a copy of the annual report, showing its unexcelled financial position, will be furnished on application to the Head Office or any of the Company's agencies.

SMITH & SMITH, Local Agents, One-ham.

R. B. HUNGERFORD, Inspector, London Ont.

HEARD THE BETROTHAL KISS.

First Boarder—Did you hear the report of the engagement of our land-lady's daughter?

Second Boarder—I should say I did. I was sitting in the next room at the time, and it was a pretty loud report, let me tell you.

TENDERS WANTED

Scaled Tenders, marked "Tender for Church," will be received by the undersigned up to March 30th, 1900, for the several works required for the erection of a new Presbyterian Church at Thamesville. The plans and specifications can be seen at my office. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

S. STEWART, M.D., Sec'y Building Committee, Thamesville, March 16th, 1900. d&w

Notice to Contractors.

Bulk or separate tenders will be received up to 12 o'clock, noon, Wednesday, April 4th, 1900, for the erection and completion of three veneered brick residences and one veneered brick convent.

On each of these buildings there will be stone work, brick work, plumbing and slating.

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Good work team Horses; team matched road horses, 3 and 4 yrs. old; good work mare, 7 yrs. old; 2 brood mares in foal; yearling colt; 3 good milk cows in calf; 2 cows coming in soon; 4 two yr. old heifers; 2 two yr. old steers; 10 yearling steers; 3 yearling heifers, 4 good calves; 4 thoroughbred Poland China sows due to farrow in April; 2 Tamworth sows in pig; Thoroughbred 1/2 and China bear pig; 30 good sheep; Fresh & Wood binder, do, mow, heavily new; Sharp horse rake; Wismer seed drill; new American corn and bean cultivator and bean cutter; fanning mill and bager; 2 set bolabags; 2 lumber wagons; Chatham stock rack; top buggy; 2 grade harrows; 2 set harrows; Duo harrows; set spring tooth harrows; 2 scrapers; 2 walking plows; 2 small corn cultivators; bean planter; 35 grain bags; grind stone; feed cooker, new; corn sheller; 2 set heavy double harness; set light double driving harness; set single harness, a quantity of chopped feed, forks, chains, and many other useful articles too numerous to mention.

Everything will absolutely be sold without reserve, as the Proprietor has rented his farm.

TERMS—All sums of \$10 and under, cash, over that amount 6 months credit will be given on the usual approved joint notes. A discount of 5 per cent per annum will be allowed for cash on all sums entitled to credit.

Accommodation will be given to parties coming from a distance, as the sale will go on regardless of the weather.

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—OF—

Thoroughbred Stock

W. J. Cryderman, Auctioneer, has received instructions from J. W. M. Thompson, Esq., 10, Lou. A. Cameron Township, one and a half miles west of Thamesville, to sell by Public Auction, on

Tuesday, April 3rd, 1900

At 10 o'clock a. m. sharp, the following Desirable Stock and Implements:

1 heavy draught colt, 4 years old; 1 carriage horse, 5 years old; 1 carriage horse, 9 years old; 1 horse, 9 years old; yearling colt; 1 colt; 6 thoroughbred Jersey cows, registered; 4 grade Jersey cows; 1 two year old Durham, heifer, fat; 2 grade heifers in calf; 5 calves, thoroughbred Jersey; 1 suckling calf, eligible; 2 registered Jersey bulls; 10 Oxford Down ewes, lambs by side; 7 yearling Oxford Down ewes; 1 Oxford Down ram, registered; 2 yearling Oxford Down rams, eligible; 36 sheep; 1 sow and pig, Berk; 1 Berk sow with pig; 1 Tamworth sow, registered, in pig; 100 chickens; 5 Brox turkey hens; 1 Bronze gobbler; 1500 us. oats, and oats and hulls barley mixed; 200 bus. headless barley; 4 thoroughbred Tamworth sows, 5 mos.; 400 bus. corn in ear; a quantity of new variety seed corn, Golden Scepter; 80 bus. seed potatoes; quantity of hay; 1 Naxon binder, new; 1 mower; 1 Naxon drill; 1 hay tedder; 1 revolving hay rake; 1 gang plow; 1 Biddell disc; 2 plows; 2 set iron harrows; 4 corn cultivators; 1 root pulper and slicer, new; 1 cutting box, and horse power; 1 roller; 1 scraper; 1 iron butter; 1 lumber wagon; 1 stock platform; hay rack and sheep rack; 1 phaeton, 2 seated, new; 1 open buggy; 1 demora; 1 cutter; 1 pair bob sleighs; 1 wheel barrow; 3 set double harness, 1 set new; 1 set single harness; horse blankets, curry combs, etc.; 2 robes; 3 sets double trees; 1 neck yoke; 1 fanning mill; 10 grain bags; 2 scoop shovels, forks, rakes, hoes and other articles; 1 set saddle, 1,200 lbs.; 1 bal. beam; pair ice togs; bridge knife; hay fork car; grind stone; Dandy churn; and some articles of furniture.

Podgoree or statements of above Stock produced on day of sale. The stock have been Prize Winners at the Leading Agricultural Shows during the past four years.

Free Lunch will be served at noon.

Business will meet early train on G. T. Ry.

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W. J. CRYDERMAN, Auctioneer.

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N. B.—Having sold my farm to Norman Scriver, the above sale is a bona fide one.—J. M. Thompson.

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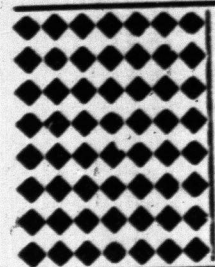
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## LOCAL BRIEFS

F. J. Reid is in the city today, on business.

Mrs. E. S. Allen, of Ingersoll, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. R. Reid, Stanley avenue.

Five cases \$250 Barrington Spring Hats arrived, via G. I. R., at the 21st today.

J. Pelrie, of New York, is in the city, the guest of ex-Ald. J. R. Reid, Stanley avenue.

The Civic Board of Works and Finance committees are meeting this afternoon.

The St. Clair and Erie ship canal got its second reading in the house of commons yesterday.

The building on Head St., owned by W. J. Elliott and recently damaged by fire, will be repaired at once.

Miss Maggie Hall, daughter of the collector of customs, Paris, is visiting the Misses Coltart, William St.

Michael Jones, Baldon St., has been removed to St. Joseph's Hospital, suffering from pleuro-pneumonia.

There were three surgical operations at St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday.

Tancredi Doyle, who was removed to St. Joseph's Hospital, suffering with appendicitis, was a little better this morning.

Napoleon Pinsonneault, has been awarded the contract for the Dover school. The cost of the building will be about \$1500.

E. R. Snook has sold his standard breed Clydesdale stallion, Royal George, to Frank Dubuge, of Big Point. The price paid was \$500.

Ex-Ald. Fred Stone is in Ridgeway today conducting division court for Judge Woods, who left on Wednesday on a trip to Jamaica for health.

The Rev. Father Baubier, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is spending a short time on a visit to Chatham and Wallaceburg friends before his departure on a pilgrimage to Rome. Father Baubier was one of the few selected by the Bishop of New York for this pilgrimage.

Two exquisite trios will be rendered at the Sacred Concert at the William St. Baptist Church next Tuesday evening, "An Evening Blessing," by the sisters, Mesdames James and Cooper and Miss Lilywhite, and "On Thee Each Living Soul Awaits," from Handel's Creation, by Miss Maude Oliver, Mrs. John Cooper and Wm. H. Brown. There will be other delightful numbers.

**THREE MOVES**  
Are he bad as a fire. Here's a move that sure to prove advantageous. A move that will benefit and assist your eyes if they need assistance is a move that may save you lots of future trouble. Step in and I'll point the way free of charge. E. J. MacIntyre leading optician.

**THE GROWLER'S CARTOON.**  
Editor A. L. Savage, of the William St. Growler, issued quite a humorous cartoon yesterday. In the sketch, which was a very funny one, the manager of the Banner publication was represented shaking in his shoes and wearing an "I'm-lost-and-far-away-from-home" look, like an invalid who had not recovered from an attack of fever and ague. To his right was a representation of the chairman of the Red Cross concert committee in military regalia with the sword of "Practical Assistance to the Red Cross Society and our Boys at the front" in his hand. The military gentleman was represented as bestowing the lot of advice on the excited invalid: "Now, sonny, don't you think you'd better apologize?"

**CHATTANOOGA.**  
One of the greatest factors in welcoming the North to the South in the past five years has been the patriotic dramas, which have been applauded and cheered by people of both sections. One of these is Lincoln Carter's "Chattanooga," which, judging from the complimentary things said of it, is one of the grandest. It is an ideal drama, full of strong situations, wholesome comedy and has been staged with a mastery hand. "Chattanooga" will be seen at the Grand tomorrow evening.

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## ITS SIGNIFICANT.

**Lord Roberts' Silence Indicates an Immediate Advance.**

London, March 30.—The reports that Lord Roberts will remain at Bloemfontein another month are probably intended for Boer consumption. The recent movements of troops and other indications point to preparations being well advanced for a forward movement. The entire silence of the cables this morning is regarded as significant. The fact that the Boer telegrams announcing the bombardment of Mafeking Monday and Tuesday do not claim any success is accepted as proof that they met with none and hopes are entertained that it may prove to have been the final effort to reduce the place before raising the siege.

It is now suggested that the apparent inactivity of the British at Warrenton is merely designed to impress the Boers with the notion that they are checking the Mafeking relief column which, in reality, is advancing by a westward detour. Color is lent to a column of 3,000 mounted troops, commanded by Col. Drummond and accompanied by three batteries, and several wagons of ammunition, passed Barkly West, March 26, on an extensive march, the objective of which is a strict secret.

The successful retirement of Dutch commandos of considerable strength from Orange River to the northern reach of the Free State is now claimed by the Boer authorities at Pretoria. It is on the Dutch command, which is conceded by the British staff, that the Dutch forces could escape capture when Bloemfontein was occupied. Their retreat has been a remarkable achievement which reflects great credit on the Dutch commander, since his forces were beset on all sides by British in superior strength.

The British officers who are prisoners at Pretoria, have sent a handsome floral tribute to Lord Roberts' funeral.

Three thousand foreigners are said to have recently joined the Boers via Delagoa Bay.

**MR. SIMPSON'S FUNERAL.**

The remains of the late J. L. Simpson were reverently laid to rest in Maple Leaf Cemetery this afternoon. The obsequies were attended by a large gathering of friends and relatives, and the casket was covered with many flowers.

The pall-bearers were, G. B. and Albert Merritt, schoolmates of the late Mr. Simpson; Capt. Cornet, J. S. Kirby, Wm. L. and Henry Knott.

Among the floral tributes were: A pillow from the family; a wreath from deceased son George; a horseshoe from Capt. Cornet and John Glass; an anchor from "friends"; spray of lilies from Miss Delahanty; roses, carnations and ferns from Captain and Mrs. Swain and Mrs. Knight; sheaf from W. S. Ridd and lilies and by spray lilies from Mr. Killop, and azaleas from Mr. Smith.

**LEAGUE BASEBALL.**

George Black, the enterprising baseball manager, is in the city today with a view of looking into the matter of placing an international league baseball team here, and a meeting of citizens interested will be held in the Garret House tonight to discuss the possibility at which all are invited to be present.

In a brief interview with The Planet, Mr. Black said he had great faith in the possibilities of the Maple City to support a first class team, and it is generally understood that he will not be adverse to himself accepting a franchise for this city with the co-operation of the citizens. Mr. Black has already a first class team signed.

**ARCHIBALD FORBES DEAD.**

London, March 30.—Archibald Forbes the well-known war correspondent, died in this city during the night. He had been in bad health for some years, owing to complications arising from rheumatism and paralysis.

The case of Williams, the Toronto hatter, sentenced to be hanged on Good Friday, has been considered by the government, and the sentence will be carried out.

Trooper Ramsey, of the Canadian Mounted Rifles, is dead, from inflammation in Cape Town. He hailed from Winnipeg.

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**JAMES L. WILSON & SON,**  
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**THAMESVILLE.**

March 30.—A. A. Appleford has issued his last edition of the Herald. It contains his vocabulary, which will be read with much regret by his hosts of friends. Mr. Appleford has purchased the Wallaceburg News and goes there to take charge next week. May he meet with unbounded success in his new home, is the wish of all.

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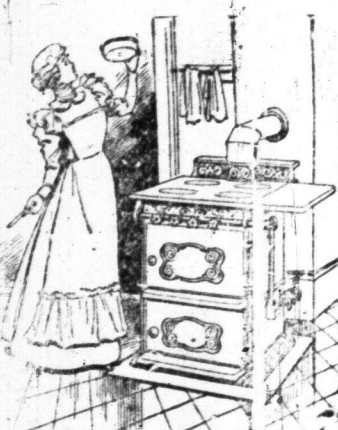
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## SAVED BY A PHANTOM PILOT.

Weird Experience of the Ship Anderson on the North Pacific Coast.

George Carmack, a lad of gold on the mossy banks of Bonanza creek in the summer of 1896 started probably the biggest stampede of gold hunters in the history of the American continent. Every vessel afloat on the Pacific which could procure a certificate of seaworthiness was pressed into service in carrying the thousands of eager tenderfoot who left their homes in the east to seek fortune in the gravel banks of the Klondike. The Eliza Anderson, with her record of a quarter of a century of honorable service in man's needs on the north Pacific coast, was one of these. She had been wrecked more times than may be told in one short article. A pile had come through her hull in the harbor of Seattle years before, but her master, Captain Tom Wright, resur-



"I'LL PILOT YOU TO PLENTY OF COAL."

rected her and put her again in commission. Captain Tom, as he was known, had been for several years the chief owner of the Anderson. He was as good and true a man as ever lived in the opinion of those who knew him, and his life was almost wrapped up in the Anderson. Aug. 10, 1897, the Anderson sailed from Seattle with 120 men and women aboard, says The Post-Intelligencer, having in tow the schooner W. J. Bryant and the old Politoisky, once a gunboat owned by Russia, but which was taken in the sale of Alaska and which subsequently fell into the hands of a firm of shipping men on the sound.

The Anderson was old and feeble. She had been rehabilitated, however, and was pronounced staunch when she left here. She was a sidewheeler, one of the few remaining vessels of this type on the Pacific coast.

The Anderson's master on her last trip was Captain Thomas Powers, now gone to "the bourne from which no traveler returns." Captain Powers was a part owner in the venture. Big money was charged to passengers who sought to reach the Klondike by the water route. Two weeks after the ship left port she ran into one of the worst storms recorded off the Gulf of Alaska. The wind came with a velocity of 40 miles per hour from the south. The Anderson lay in the trough of the sea at the mercy of the elements. Her passengers were in extreme wretchedness. Many of them had never been at sea before. Each successive wave pounded the old sides of the steamer with terrible force and effectiveness. Still she rode the waves.

It rained in torrents, and the barometer fell rapidly. The storm grew in violence. The Bryant and the old Politoisky were lost in the blackness that lay astern, and the Anderson, free of her tows, ascended before the wind.

The leaking ship lay 250 miles from Dutch Harbor, the nearest port, and 40 miles from shore. Her master, with rare presence of mind, had suggested the shore line of Alaska all through the voyage. His men worked like heroes at their places in the forenoon. The coal ran short. The chief, after surveying the coal bins, determined that by scraping every piece from the bins and floors, even to the seams, enough could be obtained to last the schooner 40 miles.

He sent word to Captain Powers to this effect. A consultation of the officers was called in the captain's office. By this time the Anderson had moved away from the storm center and was headed to shore, where there was, as far as any one knew, no habitation of man.

As the consultation was in progress a seaman on the deck below sighted a black spot far off to the starboard. It looked like a pile afloat, or perhaps like a small boat. Some unexplained impulse led the man at the wheel to head the steamer to that black speck, which loomed up in spite of the darkness of the storm. A moment later all on board could see that it was a man in a small skin canoe. What was he doing in that storm? 30 miles from land? How could his frail craft live in such weather?

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## DEAD MAN'S ISLAND.

NO MAN WHO SETTLES ON IT EVER SURVIVES.

A Long, Hoody History—Haunted by a Murdered Indian, It Bears Fruit Suggestive of Tragedy—The Sights and Sounds May Be Due to Lively Imagination.

At the mouth of Trinity river, between two narrow passes is a patch of ground known as Dead Man's Island. It is hardly more than ten acres in extent, low and swampy and almost inaccessible, but it is the home of more gruesome stories and strange vegetation than any other piece of ground of equal size in the whole State of Texas. During Mexican rule, and up to the time of the outbreak of the war for Texas independence, the island, and much of the land surrounding it, was owned by the Anahuac tribe of Indians. Dead Man's Island is said to have been the individual property of the last chief of the tribe. He was murdered there when the Mexicans were driven from the old town of Anahuac, for treasures he had in his possession, supposed to have been left in his care by some of LaFitte's men.

From that day the island seems to have been a fatal place to all who have settled upon it. Some hunter or fisherman takes possession of it every year, thinking to break the fatal spell, but none so far has been known to escape with his life. Some die suddenly, without apparent cause; others disappear mysteriously, and are never heard of again. Some are murdered by unknown agencies; others take their own lives, or lose them by flood or fire, or are destroyed by lightning and the sudden coming of storms.

Boatmen passing the island at night report many strange sights and sounds. An Indian maiden and spectral canoe have been met by many, at midnight, more from shore, and at times when their stancher crafts had all they could do to combat the storm and waves and live. Often, in sailing through West Pass, piercing cries, as if caused by mortal pain, reach the ears. At other times, usually on calm, starlit nights, the sounds of mirth and revelry fill the air. These things happen, and are heard and seen, when it is known that there is not a living soul on the island.

All this is ascribed to the curse of the murdered Indian chief. The scenes and sounds at night are certainly uncanny enough to come from such a source. But if the nights around Dead Man's Island are uncanny, the days upon it are no less so.

On the north side of the island is a fringe of short thorny bushes, the leaves of which, in the autumn, turn gleaming red, hang pendant, and resemble dripping drops of blood, so closely as to startle the beholder. The foliage is very scant, with only two or three leaves to the twig. On the top most twig hangs a large fruit, which at a distance appears to be blue, but which upon closer inspection proves to be a deep purple in color, and in shape resembles a human hand, very closely. When touched with the hand it seems to shrink and quivers visibly, and feels cold and clammy. It is said that the juice of this fruit pressed out and prepared in a certain way, makes a very powerful intoxicant. The bushes, from the shape of their fruit, probably, are known among the hunters as a death tree, in the vicinity of Indian heart, and grow nowhere except on the island.

Near the centre of the island is a small pond, around which grows a plant that resembles the banana in leafage. In the late autumn it bears a peculiar fruit. This fruit is shaped like a human hand, except that it has only three fingers and a thumb. The fingers and thumb show the joints of the knuckles very plainly, the tips are furnished with a hard substance for nails and the palm shows the lines that are seen in the human hand. The part of the fruit representing the hand and wrist is coppery in color, but the fingers are red as if bloody with murder. Some fishermen claim to have eaten of it, and say that it tastes like a half ripe plantain.

There is another shrub that grows on the island which is a strange mixture. No two leaves on it are alike in shape, size or color. It blooms profusely all the year round, but the flowers are of every variety imaginable, and no two of them smell the same, or bear the least resemblance to each other.

The sights and sounds at night may perhaps be due to old stories and lively imagination. But the fate that overtakes those that try to live on the island and the strange plants that grow there are facts which no man who has been there can dispute.

How Washington Tried a Guard.

"You can ride well, shoot straight, obey your superiors and never question a command," asks Gen. Washington of a candidate for his Guards, in E. S. Brooke's excellent new story, "In Blue and White," from the press of the Lothrop Publishing company.

Humphrey saluted. "That's what I try to do, General," he said. "To saddle, sir? Catch me that boy!" Humphrey was in the saddle at once, galloping headlong down the green slope.

"That boy was a colored servant of man's age, and stature. Hearing a horse come thundering upon him, he flung his watering pail into the air with a yell and made for a clump of trees.

But that sort of chase had been one of Humphrey's amusements on his father's farm behind the Nyack hills. At a gallop he passed the flying darkey, turned, doubled and wheeled as the man tried to dodge. And finally he reined his horse suddenly still, and with one hand clutching the runner's halter-band, lifted the darkey from his feet, wheeled about and saluted the General.

## SURPRISE SOAP

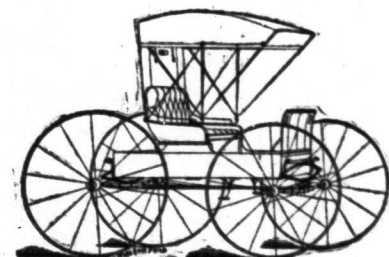
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There were 100 chimney sweeps, 100 bakers, 50 doctors, 50 dentists, 50 acrobats. There were priests to administer extreme unction and Methodist ministers to offer last prayers. There were 50 confectioners with wedding cakes, 50 undertakers with coffins, 50 fishmongers with baskets of cod and lobsters. They pushed, quarreled and fought, and the police were called out to prevent a riot. Finally among the holed ones came the governor of the Bank of England, the royal Duke of Gloucester and the lord mayor of London, each lured thither by some cunning pretext. A police investigation followed, but the perpetrator was not detected.

Flourance and Sothen once asked Captain Lee, Adelaide Nelson's English husband, to dinner at Gramercy Park hotel, where he was to meet Vanderbilt, Astor, Governor Seymour, Longfellow, Bryant and other noted Americans.

These gentlemen were for the occasion personated by Billy Travers, Larry Jerome, Neise Seymour, Dan Bryant and other choice spirits, who, after violent quarrels, drew pistols and bowie knives and filled the room with curses, shrieks and explosions. The Englishmen convinced that these were ordinary American manners, dived under the table, where he remained until dragged out amid the laughter of all present.

## WHOM TO AVOID.

The old one—My boy, now that you are starting out, remember there are two kinds of women in the world to avoid—the married and the unmarried. The young one—How about the widow, governor? The old one—Don't try. It would be useless.

## AN IDLE HOUR.

There are few things that will decide the true success and value of any man more than the way in which he regards his own personal hopes. The common feeling towards them is that they are something to be attained, either by our own exertions or by other means over which we have no control, but that their realization is the end. Then we come, without doubt, the enjoyment which has loomed up in the mind as the final triumph of the aspiration. To only a few comes the thought that the realization of a hope is the beginning of a new responsibility, and that the desire and effort to attain the former should be accompanied by an equal desire and effort to fulfill the latter.

Some persons put so slight a value upon their own self-respect and honesty that they will always agree with the last speaker, even at the expense of their own convictions. But such duplicity, whether cunningly assumed for a purpose or dropping into from a feebleness and poverty of character, is utterly opposed to the frank and fearless search for real union of sentiment. That is always honorable, always dignified, always loyal to its own individuality.

Men may be divided into two classes—who have "one thing" to do and those who have not—those with aim, and those without aim, in their lives. And practically it turns out that almost all the success, and therefore the greatest part of the happiness, go to the first class. The aim in life is what the backbone is in the body. Without it we are invertebrates—belong to some lower order of being, not man.

No man, or woman, was ever cured of love by discovering the falseness of his or her lover. The living together for three long, rainy days in the country has done more to dispel love than all the perfidies in love that have ever been committed. He who walks through life with an even temper and a gentle patience, with himself, patient with others, patient with difficulties and crosses—he has an every day greatness beyond that which is won in battle or chanted to cathedrals. He who cannot do as he would must do as he can. A small fire that warms you is better than one that burns you.



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 Wholesale and Retail Dealers in  
**Rags, Rubber, Iron**  
**and Metal**

**HIGHEST CASH PRICES PAID.**  
**MAQUOLIA HOUSE.**  
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**Eggs for**  
**Hatching**

From Barred Plymouth Rocks, and  
 Black Minorcas, all from the best  
 selected stock, good healthy birds.  
 Received first prize at the Pen-  
 sylvania Exhibition for best egg.  
 Price for setting of 12 eggs \$1.00, special  
 price for large quantities.  
 All orders promptly filled.

**W. W. Everitt,**  
 Maple City Dairy

**What**  
 is  
**Gibson**  
 GOING TO DO ABOUT IT  
**Studio**  
 King St.

Keep Minard's Liniment in the  
 House.

## A GRAND DISPLAY

Of the Latest Styles in Spring  
 Millinery.

What a Visit to Miss Cookley's Up-  
 to-date Show Rooms Disclosed.

One of the most popular centres of  
 attraction among the many pretty  
 millinery openings of this week, are  
 the handsome show-rooms of Miss C.  
 A. Cookley, whose opening took place  
 Wednesday and following days. Bril-  
 liantly decorated with the fascinating  
 flowers and shades of the season these  
 exquisite display rooms are constant-  
 ly thronged with an admiring and ap-  
 preciative patronage.

Here are found exhibited in tasteful  
 array all the latest and most popular  
 novelties of the milliner's delicate art,  
 of which many are worthy of a more  
 than passing mention. One beautiful  
 hat is in old rose shade, trimmed with  
 chiffon, insertion and old rose flow-  
 ers. Then, again, there is a fine black  
 turban in double brim, trimmed with  
 fancy straw and mounts of violets.  
 Another charming creation had brim  
 heavily covered with rich violets, with  
 crown of violet foliage and crystal  
 pins. A rich black hat has chiffon  
 brim and jet crown with mechin ros-  
 ettes and trimmed with plums. A  
 turban in Becky Sharp style is trim-  
 med with jet feather pompons and  
 fine black lace. A very attractive con-  
 tribution to the display is a large  
 black hat turned up on one side with  
 large pink silk rosette in two shades,  
 and trimmed with pink gossamer  
 and mechin ties. A pretty hat in  
 all gray chiffon is trimmed with vio-  
 lets in three shades, and ornaments.  
 In children's wear there is the  
 "Bike" hat, a large hat with gossamer  
 frills around the edge and bow at one  
 side. It is also with fine straw.  
 There are also graceful embroidered  
 bonnets, with full frills and all the  
 novelties in styles for the young folks.  
 A call at Miss Cookley's elegant  
 establishment will repay intending  
 purchasers.

## THE HILLIS CASE.

Famous Preacher Offers to Quit  
 Presbyterianism

Because of His Sermon Against Its  
 Stern Old Creed—Dr. Gray Isn't  
 Sure That He Need Leave for  
 That Reason

New York, March 30.—Rev. Dr.  
 Newell Dwight Hillis said last night  
 that a letter he sent to Chicago on  
 Tuesday contained a positive with-  
 drawal from the presidency there. He  
 cited as his reasons for withdrawing  
 from the presidency the criticisms of  
 the professors in McCormick theologi-  
 cal seminary and the request that he  
 should resign or be tried for heresy.  
 "My action in regard to my resigna-  
 tion," Dr. Hillis added, "is irrevocable.  
 I do not think any one minister has  
 the right to disturb the work of a  
 denomination. I consider the incident  
 closed. I could be more sur-  
 prised than I that there should be any  
 discussion of my sermon of Sunday  
 last. I have been constantly ex-  
 amined in the same view in Plymouth pul-  
 pit."

**HIS VIEWS COMMON.**

Chicago, March 30.—Dr. W. C. Gray,  
 editor of the Interior, last night said:  
 "I have received a telegram from  
 Dr. Hillis informing me that he had  
 mailed me a communication which I  
 should present to the presidency if I  
 thought the grounds presented were  
 sufficient. The only doctrinal point in  
 the sermon which created so much  
 turmoil, the dominical decree and the  
 Edwardsian materialistic eschatology,  
 are viewed in the same light as Dr.  
 Hillis discussed them by three-fourths  
 of the ministers and nine-tenths of  
 the members of the Presbyterian  
 Church. I must read Dr. Hillis' com-  
 munication before I say what shall  
 be done with it."

**CELEBRATED ALTON CASE.**

School: Color Line Battle is on for Its  
 Third Round.

Alton, Ill., March 30.—The celebra-  
 ted Alton school case, in which the  
 negroes of Alton seek to secure admis-  
 sion to public schools attended by the  
 whites, has been called for its third  
 trial before Judge M. V. Schaeffer in  
 Madison county circuit court. The  
 races were separated in the Alton  
 schools in 1896. In the first trial of  
 the case the whites secured a verdict,  
 but it was reversed by the Illinois su-  
 preme court, and the case remanded  
 for retrial. In the second trial the  
 jury was "hung" by a single juror  
 holding out for the blacks. The case,  
 it is expected, will not reach the jury  
 before Saturday.

**Shrewd Young Witness.**

A small Scotch boy was once sum-  
 moned to give evidence against his  
 father, who was accused of making  
 a disturbance in the streets. Said the  
 lad to him:

"Come, my wee man, speak the  
 truth, and let us hear all you ken  
 about this affair."

"Weel, sir," said the lad, "d'ye ken  
 Inverness street?"

"I do, laddie," replied the magis-  
 trate.

"Weel, ye gang along it and turn  
 into the square, and cross the  
 square."

"Yes, yes," said the lad encourag-  
 ingly.

"And when ye gang across the  
 square ye turn to the right and up the  
 High street, and keep up High street  
 till ye come to a pump."

"Quite right, my lad; proceed," said  
 the magistrate; "I know the old pump  
 well."

"Weel," said the boy, with the most  
 infantile simplicity, "ye may gang  
 and pump it, for ye'll no pump me."—  
 Exchange.

## HE GOT EVEN.

"She—I wouldn't marry you if you  
 were the last man on earth."  
 He—You wouldn't get a chance.  
 I'd surely have my pick then.

"Take care of the pennies and the  
 pounds will take care of themselves."  
 Large things are but an aggregation  
 of small things. If we take care of  
 the small things we are in effect tak-  
 ing care of the large things which  
 the small things combine to make.

Take care of what you eat, and how  
 you eat, and your stomach will take  
 care of itself. But who takes care of  
 such trivial things? That is why,  
 some day, the majority of people have  
 to take care of the stomach. It is no  
 effective in undoing the results of  
 past carelessness as Dr. Pierce's Gold-  
 en Medical Discovery. It strengthens  
 the stomach, and restores the organs  
 of digestion and nutrition to a con-  
 dition of healthy activity. It cures  
 biliousness, heartburn, flatulence, in-  
 digestion, palpitation, dizziness, cold  
 extremities and a score of other ail-  
 ments which are but the symptoms of  
 disorder in the stomach and its allied  
 organs.

## UNDENIABLE.

"But," said the philosopher, "still  
 water runs deep, you know."  
 "Well, what of it?" replied the pes-  
 simist. "I've seen rusty nails that did  
 the same thing."

## \$500 REWARD.

Will be paid by Merrill, the Drug-  
 gist, Brantford, to any firm who can  
 produce more testimonials for a  
 cough and cold cure than he can  
 his celebrated Four T's, which cures  
 coughs and colds in 24 hours. One  
 quarter million bottles sold in five  
 years. Provides it the best lung remedy  
 made. Sold in 25c. bottles at the Central  
 Drug Store.

The sun shines for you. Let it into  
 the house.

## A PRICELESS GIFT.

What is the good of a fortune with-  
 out health to enjoy it? Why go  
 about half sick when Merrill's Sys-  
 tem Tonic will give you back your  
 health? This wonderful medicine pur-  
 ifies the blood, builds up the system,  
 strengthens the nerves and regulates  
 the bowels. It's no use to you if  
 you're well, but invaluable if you're  
 sick. A Fifty Cent bottle lasts three  
 weeks. Sold at the Central Drug  
 Store. Descriptive pamphlet free.

Cheerfulness gives clearness and  
 vigor to the mind.

## er-lead's Fright.

"Large sores covered the head and  
 face of our child," writes O. D. Isbell,  
 of Morgantown, Tenn., "that no treat-  
 ment, until I used a bottle of  
 Arnica Salve, which quickly cured  
 her." Infallible in eruptions, Bruises,  
 Accidents and Piles. Cure guaranteed.  
 Only 25c at A. I. McCall & Co's drug  
 store.

Habit gives endurance, and fatigue  
 is the best nightcap.  
 A link broken, the whole chain broken.

## Troubles of a Minister.

To benefit others Rev. J. T. W. Ver-  
 noon, of Hartwell, Ga., writes: "For  
 a long time I had a running sore on  
 my leg. I tried many remedies with-  
 out benefit, until I used a bottle of  
 Electric Bitters and a box of Bucklen's  
 Arnica Salve, which cured me sound  
 and well." Sores, Eruptions, Boils, Ec-  
 zema, Tetter, Salt Rheum, show im-  
 proved. Thousands have found in  
 Electric Bitters a grand blood puri-  
 fier that absolutely cures these trou-  
 bles. Satisfaction is guaranteed, or  
 money refunded by A. I. McCall & Co.  
 Large bottles only 50c.

He that corrects not youth controls  
 not age.  
 How many pains our pleasures cost us.

## SQUANDERED A FORTUNE.

How often we hear the expression,  
 notwithstanding the fact that those  
 who use it are perhaps spending their  
 money foolishly in medicines which  
 only give relief without removing the  
 cause. Merrill's System Tonic cures  
 heart, stomach, kidney, nerve and liver  
 troubles, restores the system, purifies  
 the blood, regulating the bowels and ton-  
 ing each of these organs the cause of  
 disease is removed. Price 50c. per bot-  
 tle, at the Central Drug Store. De-  
 scriptive pamphlet free.

Too much plenty makes mouth disin-  
 telled.  
 Gluttony is the source of infirmity  
 and the fountain of disease.

## Blown to Atoms.

The old idea that the body sometimes  
 needs a powerful, drastic, purgative  
 pill has been exploded; for Dr. King's  
 New Life Pills, which are perfectly  
 harmless, gently stimulate liver and  
 bowels to expel all poisonous matter,  
 cleanse the system and absolutely cure  
 Constipation and sick headache. Only  
 25c at A. I. McCall & Co's drug store.

Good health and good sense are two  
 of the greatest blessings.  
 He that cuts himself wilfully de-  
 serves no pity.

## Sentenced to Death.

"You are in the last stages of Con-  
 sumption and cannot live more than a  
 month," were the words of doom heard  
 by Mrs. Ross Richardson, of Laurel  
 Springs, N. C., from her doctors, "but  
 she began to use Dr. King's New Dis-  
 covery" writes R. L. Daughton, of  
 that place, "and was wholly cured by  
 it. She is now a vigorous, well woman."  
 Its supreme cure for desperate dis-  
 eases of throat and lungs. Infallible  
 for Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma,  
 Croup, Whooping Cough, Influenza,  
 and all other lung troubles. Sold in 25c.  
 bottles at A. I. McCall & Co's drug store.

In Norway every person over 15  
 years of age can be executed after  
 death if he or she has made a declara-  
 tion in the presence of two witnesses.  
 For these under 15 a declaration on  
 the part of the parents is necessary.

**PINE-OIL**  
 Is the best remedy for all skin  
 diseases, such as Eczema, Psoriasis,  
 Scrofula, etc. It is sold in 25c.  
 bottles at A. I. McCall & Co's drug  
 store.

For sale by C. H. Gunn & Co., drug-  
 gists, Chatham, Ont.

## GREAT HUNTERS

PRESIDENT KRUGER THE MOST DAR-  
 ING OF ALL.

The Boers Are Credited With Freeing  
 South Africa of Lions—Tens of Thousands  
 of Harmless Giraffes Killed for Their  
 Hides—This is Very Valuable.

The Boers are credited with being  
 great hunters, and chief of them in  
 his younger days was President Krug-  
 er, whose daring in attacking a lion  
 single handed, with a hunting knife,  
 has many times been told. When the  
 Boers migrated from Cape Colony to  
 the Transvaal they were forced to  
 clear the way by killing 6,000 lions,  
 many of which were killed by Kruger.  
 For years the South African Boers  
 have been hunters, and their skill with  
 the knife is due to this daily practice  
 in the fields and woods. But with  
 them the killing of game has been el-  
 ther a matter of dollars' ad cents or  
 self protection.

Their creditable work of freeing  
 South Africa of the dreaded lions,  
 which roamed in such numbers that  
 life was rendered unsafe anywhere in  
 the country, is offset by the ruthless  
 destruction of the giraffe from Cape  
 Colony to the Boteti river. If they  
 killed 6,000 lions in the Transvaal be-  
 fore existence was made safe, they  
 may have killed 60,000 of the inno-  
 cent, graceful giraffes. In the early  
 days of South African history the gi-  
 raffe was the most abundant game in  
 the Transvaal, Matabeleland and Or-  
 ange Free State, but the creatures have  
 been killed off like our American bu-  
 falo, and the few remaining represen-  
 tatives of a noble race gradually driven  
 north. For years past the giraffe  
 has been a profitable quarry for the  
 Boer hunters, and the animal was val-  
 ued by them only because the hides  
 were articles of commercial use. They  
 were not hunted, shot down in droves,  
 and destroyed in the greatest number  
 possible in every direction.

A good giraffe skin is worth from  
 \$10 to \$20 in South Africa to-day, and  
 much more in Europe. On their hunt-  
 ing trips ten and fifteen years ago it  
 was a common matter for one hunter  
 to kill forty and fifty of these grace-  
 ful animals in one day. The reason for  
 this is that the giraffe is the most in-  
 nocent of animals and is easily hunted.  
 It is absolutely defenseless, and there  
 is hardly a case on record where a  
 wounded giraffe turned upon the hunt-  
 er. It is true giraffes have great pow-  
 ers of speed, and they can dodge rap-  
 idly from tree to tree in the woods,  
 but they offer such a fair mark that  
 these tactics hardly ever save them.

The hide of the animal is its chief  
 article of value. No wonder that the  
 bullets often fail to penetrate this skin,  
 for it is from three-quarters to an inch  
 thick, and as tough as it is thick. The  
 skin, when cured and tanned, makes  
 excellent leather for certain purposes.  
 The Boers make riding whips and san-  
 dals out of the skin; they do not use  
 the bones of the giraffe for bone  
 have also a commercial value. The  
 leg bones are sold instead of hollow,  
 and in Europe they are in great de-  
 mand for manufacturing buttons and  
 other bone articles. The tendons of  
 the giraffe are so strong that they  
 will sustain an enormous dead weight,  
 which gives them pecuniary value.

## Moccasins the Best Footwear.

The moccasin is the most rational  
 and comfortable of all footwear. In  
 moccasins the feet have full play;  
 they can bend and grasp; there is  
 nothing to chafe them or impede cir-  
 culation. In moccasins one can move  
 like an acrobat, crossing slender and  
 slippery logs, climbing trees or passing  
 with ease and security along dizzy  
 trails on the mountain side, where a  
 slip might mean sure destruction.  
 The feet do not stick fast in the mud.  
 In the north, when the mercury is far  
 below zero and no civilized boot will  
 protect the feet from freezing, the sav-  
 age suffers no inconvenience. His  
 moccasins, stuffed with dried grass,  
 let the blood course freely. The per-  
 spiration may freeze on the hay in a  
 solid lump of ice, but the feet remain  
 warm and dry.

The buckskin moccasin, Indian tan-  
 ned, with deer's brains and wood  
 smoke always dries soft after a wetting.  
 In autumn, when all the leaves and  
 twigs are dry, a man wearing  
 shoes makes a noise in the forest like  
 a troop of cavalry. But in moccasins  
 he can move swiftly through the  
 woods with the stealth of a panther.  
 The feet are not bruised, for after en-  
 joying for a time the freedom of nat-  
 ural covering, these liberto blunder-  
 ing members become like hands and  
 feel their way through the dark, like  
 those of a cat avoiding obstacles, as  
 though gifted with a special sense.  
 Best of all, the moccasin is light. In-  
 experienced sportsmen and soldiers  
 affect high-topped laced boots with  
 heavy soles and hobnails, imagining  
 that these are most serviceable for  
 rough weather. But these weigh be-  
 tween four and five pounds, while a  
 pair of thick moose-hide moccasins  
 weigh only eleven ounces. In march-  
 ing ten miles a man wearing the clumsy  
 boots lifts twenty tons more shoe  
 leather than if he wore moccasins.

**An Antidote to Venereal.**



Ants (in background)—See how  
 stuck up she is because she's got a  
 four leaf clover for a parasol.

## FALLING HAIR RESTORED

By warm shampoo with CUTICURA SOAP,  
 followed by light dressings with CUTICURA,  
 purest of emollient skin cures. This treat-  
 ment will clear the scalp and hair of  
 crusts, scales, and dandruff, allay itching,  
 soothe irritation, heal eruptions, stimu-  
 late the hair follicles, and supply the roots with  
 nourishment and energy, thus producing  
 a clean, wholesome scalp, with luxuriant,  
 lustrous hair.

## Hair Came Out Freely.

I had the typhoid fever after which my hair  
 came out freely. My mother suggested that I  
 use CUTICURA remedies. I did so, meeting  
 with untold success. My hair grew in thicker  
 than at first, after use of CUTICURA SOAP and  
 CUTICURA (ointment). H. J. PATTERSON,  
 122 W. R. N. W. Washington, D. C.

## Bad Scalp Humor Cured.

I had a bad scalp humor, and thought I  
 would go frantic with itching. I lost consid-  
 erable of my hair (of which I had an abun-  
 dant growth) and was very poorly. I tried several  
 remedies but they all proved a failure. I  
 tried CUTICURA SOAP, found immediate relief,  
 and the itching is all gone.  
 Miss M. JUDAN, 36 Halliday St., Jersey City.

## Bad Dandruff Cured.

Dandruff made my hair fall out so fast I had  
 discouraged. I rubbed CUTICURA (ointment)  
 well into the scalp twice a week, and sham-  
 pooned with warm water and a good lather of  
 CUTICURA SOAP once a week. My hair is  
 growing out thick once more, and free from  
 dandruff. Miss ADA JAYES, Chelsea, Mass.

Sold throughout the world. Forster D. and C. Co.,  
 100 N. 4th St., St. Paul, Minn.

**SAVE YOUR SKIN**  
 Hands and Feet by using  
 CUTICURA SOAP.

## Township Councils.

### DOVER COUNCIL.

The council met March 15th. All the  
 members present except Mr. Trudell.  
 The minutes of the last meeting  
 were read and adopted.

George King, commissioner, reported  
 on the repairing of the Front Con-  
 Mechanical drain.

An application was read from the  
 trustees of S. S. No. 4, to borrow \$2,  
 000 for the erection of a new school  
 house.

From Frank Gaudreau, an applica-  
 tion for the office of collector for di-  
 vision 2 and 3 for 1900.

The reeve reported having settled  
 the balance of the Planet account.

The following by-laws were read and  
 finally passed:

1. A by-law appointing fence-view-  
 ers, pound-keepers and pathmasters.

2. Changing certain road beats in  
 the second division.

3. Appointing a sheep inspector for  
 the second division.

4. A by-law to borrow \$2,000 for  
 School Section No. 4, to pay for a  
 school site and to build a new school  
 house.

Moved by O'Neil and Wright, that  
 George King be paid his commission,  
 \$10, for letting and superintending the  
 work of erecting the Front Con-  
 Mechanical drain, and \$1 balance of com-  
 mission for 1899, and that Charles  
 Crow be paid \$22.50 for ten cords of  
 wood at \$2.25 per cord, for the pump  
 works on said drain, as per order of  
 George King, commissioner, and  
 charged to the drain account.—Car-  
 ried.

Moved by Lewis and O'Neil, that the  
 books of the following contractors on  
 the Wilcox-Ouellette drain, be ap-  
 proved of, and that the reeve and clerk  
 sign the same and attach the seal of  
 the corporation.

Moved by Wright and O'Neil, that  
 the matter of paying the City of Chat-  
 ham Dover's share of the cost of re-  
 pairing the Woods' Drain be referred  
 to the reeve with power.—Carried.

Moved by Lewis and O'Neil, that a  
 committee of the council meet at the  
 clerk's office on the 16th, to compare  
 the printed auditors' report with the  
 auditors' copy, and to correct any ty-  
 pographical errors that may occur.—  
 Carried.

Moved by Wright and Lewis, that  
 the Banner Printing Co. be paid the  
 contract price, \$20.50, for printing 200  
 copies of the auditors' report.—Car-  
 ried.

Moved by O'Neil and Lewis that the  
 court of revision on the Henderson-  
 Hebert drain adjourn.—Carried.

J. WELSH, Clerk.

## MINARD'S LINIMENT.

CHISTOPHER SAUNDERS.

I cured a horse of the mange with  
 MINARD'S LINIMENT.

I cured a horse badly torn by a  
 pitch fork, with MINARD'S LINI-  
 MENT.

EDWARD LINLIE.



## Spring FOOT-WEAR



Our Ladies' \$3.00

LINES, AMERICAN MAKE, HAVE THE APPEARANCE OF A \$4 SHOE, BUT THEY ARE ONLY \$3-A BIG MONEY'S WORTH.

## TURRILLS Shoe Store.

### BAPTISM OF FIRE.

Father O'Leary Went Through It With the Boys.

And the Sights he Saw Made Him Sick to Sticks—Burial of The Canadian Dead.

Ottawa, Mar. 30.—Chaplain O'Leary writes the following interesting letter from Paardeberg to his brother, Mr. J. M. O'Leary, of the P. O. Department:

"My Dear Brother,—Well, at last we have been in it, and through it, and though our baptism of fire was a costly one, willingly would we go through it again. Canada may well be proud of her noble boys. It is true that many a once happy home is now in mourning since the fatal 18th day of February, but the deep sorrow that has entered into the hearts of the loved ones far away is undoubtedly tempered by the consolation of assurance that all have done their duty, and every one of the brave fellows, the famous Black Watch, the Argyles, the Seaforths, the sturdy Cornwalls, so say they all.

"And, oh, that wild, mad charge against an invisible enemy. Never shall I forget it, nor shall I attempt to describe it, at least for the present. Hell let loose would give but a faint idea of it. On, on we rushed through a hail of bullets, the air alive again with deadly missiles. On we rushed madly, wildly, tearing through brambles, stumbling over prostrate comrades, eager in the delirium of bloodshed and destruction which seized us all, to reach the enemy's trenches. And above the din of battle, oh, that wild, soul-stirring cheer, or rather, that savage yell. Like tigers our brave boys bounded over the open, but it was not to be. Darkness closed on us ere the position was carried and the day won. Darkness settled down on that well-fought field, mercifully casting a veil over its horrors. Then began the search for the dead and wounded. In the total darkness, for the least light drew the enemy's fire, we groped over the ground, everywhere our hands steeped in blood, blood, blood. From all directions faint moans, coupled with piteous pleadings for water, water, reached our ears. Accidentally one would stumble over a friend. Then what pathetic scenes would take place—a message for home, 'Tell mother, etc., etc., or, perhaps, 'Don't leave me, it won't be long.'

"The moon rose over the weird scene, and shed its peaceful rays on scores of upturned faces, many of them calm and placid in death. That night myself and a few devoted fellows remained until late on the fatal field, exploring every nook and corner for the wounded, often meeting with the mangled dead, until at last our strength gave out, and, reaching our lines, we threw ourselves on the hard ground seeking rest and forgetfulness in sleep. So did most of the survivors. Hardly a word was exchanged for all were exhausted, what with a forced march of twenty miles the preceding night, and the trying ordeal of that long, long day.

"Monday morning we gathered our dead together and buried them, side by side, eighteen in all, in one broad grave, whilst I performed the sad but consoling duty of committing them to the care of God's angels, when we would be far away from this fateful land. May they rest in peace, noble, brave boys.

"I must draw this letter to a close. I feel sick at heart when I recall to mind the scenes of blood I have witnessed, and the stirring events I have gone through."

## Madam La Zell

SCIENTIFIC PALMIST

May Be Consulted On All Matters Of

Love, Business and Marriage Past, Present and Future

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O. D. M. Toronto University.  
Associate Dr. C. A. Snell, Honor Graduate, Toronto University. Office—First Door East of Standard Bank. Telephone 104

## THEY ARE LOVELY

Creations of the Milliner's Art Displayed by Miss Cathcart

In her New Show Rooms on King Street—Well worth a Visit

The new hats are perfectly lovely this season. No lady who visits the exquisite millinery display in the rooms of Miss Cathcart, in the new millinery establishment opposite the Oddfellows' Temple, can fail there to find in the beautiful and delicate creations something to delight and charm. Anything else is impossible. The picture presented in these splendid show rooms is not exceeded even in the larger cities. All that the great markets of the world afford, alike has been evolved from feminine fancy at this, the commencement of the season of new life and joy and gladness—ath is here, and in luxurious profusion.

The formal opening began yesterday, and large numbers of ladies, visiting the show-rooms and saw what is newest for the season. The opening took place under circumstances most auspicious. The brightness of the day but added to the warmth and beauty of the scene to be witnessed inside. The show-rooms are most tastefully decorated. The space allotted permits of a delightful effect being obtained in the display of hats for spring wear. The wealth of color is here, but it is subdued color. The hues are softer and they blend charmingly. There is a rare elegance about them. Flowers are again very popular, and the variety is great, ranging from huge snowballs to the tiny mignonette. The leaders are roses and violets. Fruits of all kinds have come much into use. The imitations are wonderfully perfect in effect in the fruit, as with flowers and foliage. In the latter the colorings are particularly beautiful in pastel shades and autumn tints. Speaking of color, the pastel shades are used extensively, and are very pretty in all classes of goods, in combination, as many as five to seven shades being grouped together. One especially pleasing combination for the season is a black and straw color. Straw embroidered chignons, tulle and chiffons, in all the pastel shades are shown. Ribbons play a large part. They are used in wide widths, principally in taffetas and rich satins.

The Beatrice is an exquisite creation, a large hat in the new shade blue with drapings of white chiffon and point lace scarf draped over pink crushed roses. Another beauty is a turban shape made in black tulle chiffon, with sequin ornaments and ostrich pompons. In young girls' headwear there is every late style and novelty, the most popular being, perhaps, in leghorns with chiffon trimming and large bow of Liberty satin ribbon. And these are but a very few of the many delightful novelties shown, in making up one of the best displays of the season.

Miss Cathcart's attractive establishment is thronged with patrons and the accomplished staff are kept exceedingly busy in booking orders.

Good counsel is no better than had, if not acted upon.

## THE PROBABILITIES.

G. N. W. Special.  
Toronto, March 30.—10 a. m.—North-easterly winds, fair; Saturday, northerly and westerly winds, fair, stationary or a little higher temperature.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

New Ideas in American Collars every week at The 2 T's.

You can shoe up fort very little money at the Shoe Sale, Side bankrupt stock.

Ben Slater, of Chatham, spent a few days last week with his aunt Mrs. John Elliott, at Comber.

Slater Shoe Polish in Black and Tan, at the 2 T's.

Tilbury West taxes have all been collected and Collector Prendergast has returned his roll.

Wear The 2 T's \$10 New Method Suits.

Julius Daunt, of Staples, died Sunday. The funeral took place at Stoney Point.

Every Barrington Hat guaranteed. Price \$2.50. The 2 T's Sole Agents.

There are over 40 patients at the Public General Hospital and all are doing well.

Miss Carrie Mahler, of Bothwell, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Mahler, Park Ave. West.

The ladies of the Park St. Church promise to offer for sale a number of handsome boys and girls by auction to-night.

The egg buyers for McNaughton, Walker & Co. will probably start out on their routes next week. Eggs will then probably drop to ten cents.

An "At Home" will be given on Monday evening next from seven until ten o'clock at the residence of A. E. Pikey, Cross Street, in aid of the India Famine Fund. A silver collection will be taken up.

One hundred and forty pairs of ladies' fine boots, regular price \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00, reduced in price at the Side Bankrupt Sale, to \$1.00 a pair. Can give you almost any size.

Remember the concert to-night in the Park St. Sunday school room. A first-class program. Auction sale of children. Come and bid. Admission, 15 cents, two tickets for 25 cents.

Alex. Morris, formerly of Hamilton, but now of the South Africa Mounted Police, stationed at Bulawayo, writing to his sister, Mrs. W. F. Cornish, says that the police all volunteered, but were ordered to stay where they were to preserve order. Mr. Morris sends also a copy of the Bulawayo Chronicle.

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## THE AWARD MADE

Arbitrators' Decision on the Delagoa Bay Case.

Portugal Must Pay Over Fifteen Million Francs to Britain and the States.

Berne, March 30.—The Delagoa Bay railroad award was made public yesterday. Following is the text of the decision, which is in six clauses:

The Portuguese government, as the defending party, is condemned to pay to the governments of the United States, and to Great Britain, the claimants, altogether, in addition to the £28,000 paid on account in 1890, the sum of 15,314,000 francs, in legal Swiss money, with simple interest on this sum, at the rate of 5 per cent per annum from June 1, 1889, up to date of payment of said sum. The award is unanimous.

The London papers all condemn the award as unjust in the amount given. Portugal took possession of a railroad owned by private capitalists, which they valued at six million pounds. The arbitrators now do not allow them a sixth of their claim.

The Daily Mail, commenting upon the award at Berne, says: "The boundless procrastination of the tribunal is difficult to explain, for not the smallest trace of equity can be discovered in the award of the beggarly £280,000 awarded as compensation for a concession valued at £6,000,000. We fear the arbitrators allowed themselves to be prejudiced against the British interests by the irrational Anglophobia which has seized upon the Swiss people. By their conduct the arbitrators have struck a deadly blow at arbitration."

The Standard says: "The whole thing is most unfortunate, especially as there was no compulsion to resort to arbitration. Great Britain and the United States might simply have presented a bill of damages at Lisbon, and required its prompt liquidation. Resistance would have been out of the question, and our moral cause was so unassailable that no power would have presumed to intervene. Looking at all sides of the South African question, we sacrificed much for the sake of supporting the principles of arbitration."

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